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1. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE CZECH SOURCE, CLOSE FRIENDS OF HIS HAVE BEEN TOLD BY PSYCHIATRIST ATTENDING PRESIDENT SVOBODA THAT WHILE PRESIDENT HAD SUFFERED EMBOLISMS (AS FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD CHARGE), MAIN FACTOR WAS THAT HE HAD SENILE DEMENTIA.

2. THIS REPORT IS CONSONANT WITH STORY WE HAD EARLIER FROM UNCERTAIN SOURCE, THAT WHILE SVOBODA HAD BEEN RANTING AGAINST SOVIETS FOR ACTIONS DURING WORLD WAR II. FACT THAT PRESIDENT'S MENTAL CONDITION HAD DETERIORATED IS OF COURSE NOT NEWS. FOR EXAMPLE EVEN YEAR AGO AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR PRESENTING HIS CREDENTIALS IN MAY 1973, JUDGED SVOBODA SENILE.
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